

What's my Name

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Summary: Naruto battles with himself as he tries to figure out his true identity after Mizuki tells him and his team that he is the Yoko no Kyubi who destroyed their village fourteen years ago. But Naruto doesn't want to be a blood thirsty demon but the more he uses the red chakra within him the more bloodthirsty he becomes. Can he find the missing link in his life or fall to Darkness.

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><p>Prologue

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><p>Uzumaki-Namikaze Naruto was hated, feared, abused, scorned, and persecuted since the day he was born for something he had no choice or control over. Because of this he had developed unusually high stealth for someone his age as well as what some would only call a masochistic love of pain, or so they thought. Deep down however the truth was far from everyone thought. Beneath the mask the young blonde wore was someone who had a very simple dream, to find love.<p>

Naruto first created his mask back when he started the academy when everything seemed to get worse for him though there was something to be said about learning to craft weapons out of wood then applying chakra to make it as hard and as durable as most chakra metals. Since most shop owners wouldn't let the young blonde into their stores he learned at an early age to hunt, forage, craft weapons, and even make clothes from the fur of his kills that he got from hunting.

Sadly not everything could be obtained from nature and was forced to steal from some stores after nightfall. One place he regularly broke into was the ninja library where he studied long and hard almost every night, that was part of the reason he was dead last while he knew a lot about the ninja world he had no idea what was being taught in the academy due to his constant passing out. Only when they were given a written test was Naruto able to apply his knowledge, not that it boosted his grade much as tests only counted for a fraction of his grade.

Naruto was also a hard worker when it came to fixing things. He had found an abandoned cabin just outside the village walls and fixed it up so he had his own place to live. After talking to the Hokage Naruto was officially made the owner of the clearing and cabin as it was a win win situation for all parties, Naruto got his own place and the villagers didn't have to live anywhere near him.

Naruto had built a training ground in his clearing where he would train tirelessly until his body refused to do anymore. Which was when he usually went to the library to study anything from chakra theory to taijutsu he even studied what was known as fuinjutsu where he learned about storage seals and restoration seals to help keep his clothes and weapons for longer periods of time. It was also where he learned of the nine bijuu and jinchuriki human vessels used to bind the bijuu from destroying everything.

Spending so much time hunting Naruto was the best marksman in his class able to hit a perfect ten in both kunai and shuriken every time. His constant training allowed him to be fairly formidable in taijutsu but he didn't have a style like many of his classmates thus he lost more often than not, his only saving grace was his stamina that he gained from his constant training. His stealth allowed him to be able to use a blade carved from ironwood in hunting as well as use a bow and arrow.

Now though it was time to put all of his skills to the test he had just been told who his team was yesterday and today was his official Genin test to determine if he would remain a ninja or be forced back to the academy. His team consisted of himself, a boy by the name of Nara Shikamaru a lazy genius who was only among the dead last because he was lazy, and a platinum blonde girl named Yamanaka Ino who made it clear she didn't like him, and their Sensei was a man from the Sarutobi clan and a smoker something Naruto made clear his nose couldn't handle.

"Alright seeing as everyone is here let me say this." Asuma began "I'm not going to test you three because honestly I already know you're going to fail thus I'm going to force you three to become a team."

Ino spoke up first. "What do you mean Sensei?"

"Follow me all three of you. " Asuma ordered.

The newly minted team ten followed their sensei to a heavily wooded area a place he knew Naruto would be most comfortable in and could easily navigate while the other two would be forced to rely on Naruto.

"Alright your task is simple get back to the village and report back to me at the Hokage Tower." Asuma explained.

"But we don't have any navigational equipment." Ino complained.

"We don't need it." Naruto spoke up looking around.

This caused both Ino and Shikamaru to look at the jinchuuriki confused.

"I can get us back safely I know the woods like my own backyard." Naruto said aloud while thinking. '_Mostly because they are my backyard._'

Asuma had already left by the time Ino and Shikamaru turned to look at their sensei thus they were now forced to trust Naruto, the only question was could he trust them. Naruto began walking pulling out a bow and quiver strapping the quiver across his back and notching an arrow just to be safe. Just because he knew the woods doesn't mean his teammates did also the forest was filled with danger and he had to ready to protect his team. It was supposed to be a means of forcing the trio to bond and work as a team but sadly other people had different plans, people like Mizuki.

Naruto and his team were walking cautiously through the forest when a sound caught Naruto's ear causing him to stop and hold up his hand signaling the other two to do the same. At first nothing else was heard but right as Naruto went to take a step forward Mizuki stepped out in front of them.

"You know Naruto you were supposed to fail the exam everything was planned just right to make you fail, but no somehow you managed to pass." Mizuki said anger evident in his voice. "Do you know why everyone hates you? Would your teammates even trust you to guide them home if they knew the truth about you?"

"Naruto what is Mizuki sensei talking about." Ino asked confused.

"I-I don't know." Naruto replied.

"I'll tell you what I mean Ino." Mizuki explained "Naruto is the nine tailed fox that destroyed Konoha fourteen years ago."

Naruto went into shock as everything began making perfect sense to him now. Yes he knew of the nine bijuu and their jinchuuriki but no one told him he was one of the jinchuuriki that kept the bijuu at bay let alone that he held the very fox who killed his family and destroyed his village. Ino and Shikamaru were also shocked by this revelation but questioned their sensei if Naruto was a demon fox why was he in human form and where was his power?

Mizuki tried to take advantage of the situation by attacking Ino which only caused Naruto to snap out of his trance and get between the two thus taking the brunt of the attack.

"I don't know if I really am the fox or not but one thing for damn sure. **I WILL NOT ALLOW YOU TO ATTACK THE PEOPLE OF KONOHA WHILE I STILL LIVE!**" Naruto yelled in anger.

Everyone was shocked by this declaration, Ino and Shikamaru most of all. If Naruto was supposed to be this evil demon that destroyed everything in its path why was he protecting them? Mizuki on the other hand was angered at the fact he wasn't going to be able to kill Naruto and his team without a fight and blame Naruto for the crime like he planned.

Naruto stood firm between Mizuki and his team anger in his eyes and red chakra radiating off him giving him fox like features. Naruto was also wielding a long staff with a short dual edged blade on the end of it the same red chakra coating the full length of the polearm.

"**I hope you made your peace Mizuki because I'm going to kill you for even daring to attack a citizen of Konoha and a fellow shinobi of the leaf." **Naruto said in a cold emotionless tone.

In the blink of an eye Naruto closed the gap between him and Mizuki thrusting his weapon forward in an attempt to run the traitor through. Mizuki was able to jump back avoiding the blade but the chakra still burned him causing him to cry out in pain and glare at Naruto who was in an at ready stance ready to fight. Mizuki drew one of his fuma shuriken and launched it at the blonde while running through hand seals as it flew.

Naruto simply redirected the weapon into a nearby tree and launched himself at Mizuki once more who was barely able to finish the seals and let out a stream of fire at the boy. Naruto moved out of the way as if he wasn't even worried about the attack and formed a single hand seal.

"**Raiton: Yoko no Raidan."** Naruto spoke calmly.

A series of small lightning bullets shot from Naruto's mouth speeding toward Mizuki who wasn't expecting an Academy graduate to know something this advanced. Unable to react in time the lightning bullets hit their mark each one sending pain throughout Mizuki's body as each one hits their mark. The bullets pierced through Mizuki causing even more pain and even shutting down any organ they pierced like his heart.

Mizuki dropped like a rock onto the forest floor unconscious and bleeding but not at any risk of dying much to Ino's surprise having heard Naruto promise to kill the man. However when asked the young jinchuuriki simply said because if he was a demon then he would be a demon who protects rather than one who kills flooring both Ino and Shikamaru.

Naruto led the two back to Konoha safely without further interruption and reported to Asuma as they were instructed and Ino said how Naruto protected them and she was wrong to have judged him so harshly. Shikamaru said he never questioned Naruto to begin with as it was to troublesome thus Team Ten was officially on the roster as an active team.

Almost a month passed since the formation of team ten and the trio very quickly got over their differences and found a working team dynamic. Naruto was the Taijutsu and Ninjutsu powerhouse, Ino was

more of the genjutsu type easily using her clan jutsu to further intensify her illusions, while Shikamaru used his Kage Mane to make his foe's helpless against Naruto's brutal Taijutsu Ninjutsu mix or Ino's mental assault.

Currently team ten was in the Hokage's Office Shika was sitting in a chair, Naruto leaned against a wall near the door, Ino was leaning against the chair Shikamaru was in her hands supporting her, while Asuma was sitting in another chair. Sarutobi Hiruzen the Third Hokage was looking at each of them smirking at how casual they were in his office.

"So Asuma you're requesting a C rank mission for your team?" Hiruzen asked.

"That's the idea." Asuma confirmed.

"I have just the one for your team. Please send in the client." Hiruzen ordered.

A moment later the door opened and a short drunken man walked in. He surveyed those who were supposed to protect him. "This is my Protection? I ask for ninja and you give me kids?"

Naruto narrowed his eyes releasing his KI making the man pale. "I wouldn't question the Hokage if I were, not if you like living."

Naruto's tone was cold Ino had expected it of course no one was allowed to insult the Hokage while Naruto was around but seeing the man's reaction to the jinchuriki Ino spoke up. "Naruto ease up a bit before you accidentally give him a heart attack."

Naruto looked to Ino and the KI instantly let up allowing the Man to regain the color in his face. "Sorry bout that."

"R-right be ready to leave in an hour." The man said as he walked out the door.

Hiruzen chuckled folding his hands in front of his mouth. "That was Tazuna a bridge builder from Nami he will need protection from bandits and what not while he builds his bridge that will connect the island to the mainland. Had he not been so terrified he would have told you that I'm sure."

"Sorry Jiji i just hate it when people question your judgement." Naruto said as he looked to the old Kage.

"Well you all have your mission now go pack." The hokage ordered.

Naruto left in the flash of a lightning bolt leaving behind a single scorch mark from where the lightning struck. The others simply walked out used to Naruto's flashy entrances and exits by now though they loved seeing how it unsettled other people who saw it for the first time or weren't expecting it.

Naruto didn't take long to pack he had a ready bag that had a few scrolls in it his clothes, cooking supplies, extra ammo for his wrist crossbow, even a second spear in case his primary one breaks. With

everything sealed into scrolls with the exception of a single set of clothing and a medkit his pack looked nearly empty unprepared if one didn't know about storage scrolls. Naruto also had a separate medkit strictly for poisons.

Naruto was the first one to the meeting point taking a position up in a tree in the shadow out of sight not wanting to deal with the glares of the villagers and even some shinobi who hated him for the actions of the Kyubi. He still didn't know if he was Uzumaki Naruto or the Yoko no Kyuubi, but either way he would be a demon who protects rather than a demon that kills and destroys.

He could tap into the red chakra by focusing his anger even made it to the point he could make a shield on his left arm while he used his right arm to wield his spear with lethal proficiency. Naruto wouldn't lie the chakra both scared him and enticed him. It scared him because it felt so evil and dark but enticed him because it gave him the power to protect those around him.

Almost an hour later Ino and Shikamaru arrived with Tazuna and Asuma behind them, Naruto dropped from his perch in the trees and greeted his team and glared at Tazuna hearing the man mutter something he couldn't quite make out but he also felt the emotions of the man and Naruto didn't like them. No one said anything more about the mission and left the gates heading toward the Nami, the land of waves.

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